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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated January 22, 2002, Applicants enclose the following documents to complete the above-identified patent application filed November 26, 2001:

- 1. Our check in the amount of \$130.00.
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventor(s).
- 3. Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
- 4. Our check in the amount of \$110.00
- 5. Petition for One-Month Extension of Time (in duplicate).
- 5. Claim of Priority and Transmittal of Certified Copy.
- 6. Certified Copy

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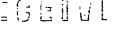
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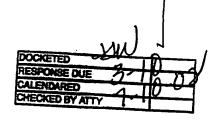
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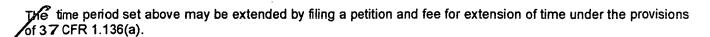
The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
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- · Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 30 months months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.



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Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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